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**The "Wellcome" Photographic Exposure Record and Diary, 1913.**

To boil down into one handy pocket volume the accumulated photographic wisdom of the year and of preceding years is a work of signal utility and one which should win the gratitude of all photographers. Such a task has been accomplished in the 1913 edition of the "'Wellcome' Photographic Exposure Record" which is just published. Within its closely packed pages this book contains a surprising number of useful and practical paragraphs for the field, the dark room and the studio. The "Wellcome" exposure calculator, a mechanical device which permits the exposure for any subject under any conditions to be gauged with remarkable accuracy and ease, is attached to the cover and adds greatly to the practical value of the book. Three editions are published, one for the Southern Hemisphere, one for the Northern and the third a special edition for the United States of America.

The "Wellcome" Exposure Record may be obtained from all photographic dealers and booksellers and at all railway bookstalls. Price in the United States 50 cents.

**Plane Geometry.** By WILLIAM BETZ and HARRISON E. WEBB. Boston: Ginn and Company. Pp. 332. \$1.00.

A very interesting addition to texts on geometry. The first 68 pages are devoted to "informal" geometry, which is partly observational. This is followed by the usual formal course.

The book has an authoritative list of theorems, following the report of the Committee of Fifteen very closely. It has plenty of exercises of many interesting kinds, and it works out an excellent method of attack, although there may be some question as to whether it carries this method to its logical conclusion. There are some fine examples of analysis, notably such ones as on page 161 and on page 268. An excellent feature is the exercises asking the pupil to find conclusions suggested by certain diagrams.

If the work may be said to have weak points they are that there is so much material of various kinds that the salient points of geometry fail to impress one, and that the book seems to be so full of figures that it leaves little to be visualized by the pupil. Whether either of these criticisms is valid only use will show.

**Diary and Time Saver for 1913.** Laird and Lee. 25 cents.

A very useful and inexpensive diary, better than some that cost twice as much.